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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

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Title DROPLET EJECTING APPARATUS AND EJECTION  
ABNORMALITY DETECTING/DETERMINING METHOD FOR A  
DROPLET EJECTING HEAD

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2.  Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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  - Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C.113) [Total Sheets 29]
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 a.  Newly executed (original or copy)  
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  - i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
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6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 C.F.R.§3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)
11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
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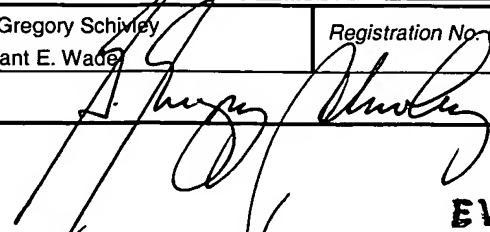
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